

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted preliminarily to the issuance of an Office Action in the above identified application.

With the present Amendment, applicants have amended the specification to bring it in compliance with the requirements of the U.S. Patent Practice.

The original claims have been canceled and replaced with new claims 16 and 17.

Claims 16, the broadest claim on file, defines a wiper blade which has an elongated rubber-elastic wiping strip which is placeable in contact against a windshield to be wiped; an elongated springing-elastic carrying element which directly holds said elongated rubber-elastic wiping strip substantially parallel to and along a longitudinal axis and which has first and second ends and also upper and lower sides; a connection device for connecting said elongated spring-elastic carrying element to a driven wiper arm, said spring elastic carrying element having a lower surface in continuous surface all along its length between said first and second ends with a back surface of said elongated rubber-elastic wiping strip.

In accordance with the present invention as defined in this claim, the lower surface of the springing elastic carrying element is in continuous contact all along its length between the first and second ends of the carrying element, with a back surface of the elongated rubber-elastic wiping strip.

These new features of present invention are not disclosed in the references applied by the Examiner against the claims in the parent application.

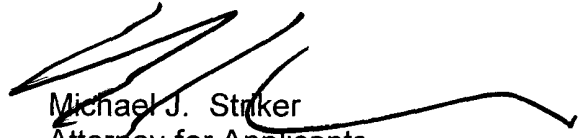
It is believed that claim 16 should be considered as patentably distinguishing over the art and should be allowed.

Reconsideration and allowance of present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Any costs involved should be charged to the deposit account of the undersigned (No. 19-4675). Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a

personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance, he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,



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